

Memo from the desk of --

[about
10-15-83]

JACK COLLINS

Many thanks for sending these
two.

Please don't forget to send me
the alignment on those two half cents
with rotated reverses.

Best,
Jack

answered 10/22/83 as per
attached

10/18/84

Mr Jack Collins

President A M E R I C A N I N S T I T U T E O F N U M I S M A T I C

B E SEARCH

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Dear Jack,

I ain't got a letter back from you about
my free inscribed copy of the BIG RED BOOK
What's holdin it up?

I must say that I has (SICK) NO (SIC) been
readin a lot lately in dat BIG RED BOOK. You
know I have seldom gotten to sleep before 2 AM
and then I is so tired of readin all that Bullshit
and written Notes I can't off read easy

How can there be so many mistakes everywhere
and how about those Composite Photos that
you didn't identify? Man you is going to
have Me answering questions from all sorts
of people about them Errors.

I called the Comptroller of the Currency here in
Washington and they tell Me that they was
Not even in business until February 25 1863. Now
Mr Brown says Right on Page 213 that they
was in business back in 1804. How can this
type of Mistake occur?

Another thing I Noticed was while you
you has 501 Numbered Pages Plus them Color
Photographs, a total of 69 Pages is BLANK
Does dat Number have anythin to do with the
FAIRYLAND that Print out de book?

I has got an appointment w/ a
copy right lawyer He tell Me dat to
Copy my book can be the basis for a

lausnit. He's got a BIG CASE now so its
 Goin to be a few months before he can
 see me.

Sontin else. I heard that you had 7500
 Copies Printed of the BIG RED BOOK. What
 is you goin to do with them? I guess the
 Japs (Who I fought in World War II) (They damn
 Near Killed Me) ~~wouldnt~~ (Wouldnt that have been
 Nice?) gave you a Cheap Price and the
 Binding Job is cheap as hell. The Paper is to
 slick to use in My outhouse. Just the same
 do you think you has enough so that local
 Coin Clubs can give out your book as a door
 Prize Well into the 21st Century?

Well I hope you aint lost interest in
 all My rambling (BICK) NO! (SIC) but before I
 close I must say those Color Prints is
 a lot like the book as a whole. They they
 looks real good at first glance. Man I
 Nearly dropped My teeth when I first saw ^{them} ~~them~~
 but I see that the 1793, 1802, and 1803 is
 COMPOSITES. That 1803 is really somtin! You
 Better tell Mr. Brown about it it's a New
 Variety with obverse 1 and reverse a. Both
 dies is the same in the BIG RED BOOK and that
 Wrapper Book - you know COHEN. Amadder than
 the 1831 has an 1836 Reverse. Why you
 dont even Geline in COLOR the ^{only} 1831 Reverse, I
 also Noticed that 1842, 1843, 1846, 1849, 1852
 and 1857 is restrikes and not original
 Coins. 1852 is OK there aint no original. We is still searchin

So as I see it them Color Plates is
 a lot like the BIG RED BOOK when your
 first sees it it looks great but when

you look closer you find it aint
 what it PERSISTS. (SIC) NO(SICK) take.
 I have your BIG RED BOOK is a
 Big load of SHIT. Intentionally
 enough a lot of people think the same
 as me. We's been ~~now~~ doin a lot of
 Talk on the telephone. We Plans to
 Write another book We probably goin
 to Call it

AN ACTION GUIDE TO WALTER
 BREEN'S ENCYCLOPEDIA OF UNITED
 STATES HALF CENTS 1793-1857 WITH
 EMPHASIS (SICK) NO(SIC) ON HOW TO
 SEPARATE THE WHEAT FROM THE
 SHAFF-NO-CHAFF - I BEAT YOU TO A(SICK)
 NO-(SIC)

For a Publisher We Plans to get
 Mr Stanford Burst of New York City
 My Original Publisher Mr Wigglesworth
 and Mr Ghatt has retired. Mr Ghatt
 is curled up in my lap now and Mr
 Wigglesworth is asleep on the floor

Well I hope dis aint to much
 for you and please dont have
 another Heart Attack. Dis aint NO
 way out West letter - You might
 call it way back East.

I am Sir your most
 humble and obedient servant

Roger

(over)

P.S. Mr Hanson don't seem to know much about the Condition Census Man, do you know How Many Mistakes he's Made? Not only do he have the Claims of ownership Wrong he leaves out an awful lot of Coins Mostly Cherry Picked by others since that lousy book with terrible photographs came out in 1971. Mr Hanson don't seem to friendly to me and other people so he aint bound to Much over the last 13 years. Next time you ought to get some one like me to help as the forgotten more about Half Cents than Mr Hanson ever knew. Now How that sure a Turnabout of Words !!

8/29/84

N.B. It sees in the Coin World that you Copied for your reason for the BIG RED book the same as me for my book. Don't you think you could be more Original?

N.B.B. The large Cent Collectors is ^{too} for a big surprise if you do to them what you has done to Half Cent Collectors. The large Cent Collectors are in deep trouble if you fulfill your promises. that ~~you~~ ~~Attack~~ at ANA in DETROIT were made for you

N.B.B.B. How about Printing this letter in "The Asylum" - You aint the editor but maybe you could send him a copy.

MANY THANKS,
Sue

11/1/54
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Dear Jack

I received the enclosed in the mail
I also got to see a copy!! of the Encyclopaedia
I noted an error (the first of many)

You did not list me as a
Contributor! When I note that one
of my coins is pictured on page 198

Not hearing from you about
the matter I will assume the
omission was deliberate and in
retaliation for omitting to you Hanson
from my second edition, or some
other reason known only to God.

When are you going to send
me an appropriately inscribed copy
of the Encyclopaedia such as I
sent you of my second edition?

This completes the "anomalous"
letter letter I am sending you

Sincerely,

Roger S. Cohen

Misaligned trees: write Jack Collins

Now aligned

1809 in grade Hi leaf beyond E of S
(G2) or G4

1794 4 touching upright H Wave-H (G3) 1 of densom
touching top & almost 4 }
Row 10 counter 1 } 82
Row Deep run 10 to 2 }
Row No run 4 to 8 }

1841 Crushed seedling

1797 Grippped edge same cc Rot
Row Deep 7 to 11 no run 2 to 4 58.3

Jenny Bennett Silver Springs MD ↑
wrote my 1831 half-dollar Both normal
over runs

09/64: .3.4 Rotated 10° ccl rev: no rim 10 to 1
ex Stacks obv weaker rim 11 to 2 (not opposite each other)
Dec 1970
.3.5 Same in all respects - also .6

.3.7 8bl struck over (rev) brockage rotated
more (30° cc) so that obv is 15% o-c
toward 6 o'clock, rev toward 1:30

62's OK